

For information on upcoming volunteer orientation and foster orientation dates, please check out our website at:

- ? pets.maricopa.gov
- ? Click on 'How I can Help'
- ? Click on 'Volunteering'
- ? Click on orientation dates
- ? RSVP to the number or email indicated.

If you do not have access to the web, please call 602-506-7387 for details.

***Volunteers
immediately needed:***

To help find homes and care for the thousands of homeless animals who come through our shelters every year.

*Maricopa County
Animal Care & Control is "dedicated to
promoting and protecting the health,
safety, and welfare of pets and people
in Maricopa County".*

*AC&C is a full service animal welfare
organization with shelter, adoptions,
field services, licensing, and
education programs.*

602-506-PETS
pets.maricopa.gov

Care Center Locations:

West Valley Animal Care Center
2323 S. 35th Ave.
Phoenix

East Valley Animal Care Center
2630 W. 8th St.
Mesa

Pet Adoption Center
5231 N. 35th Ave.
Phoenix



Maricopa County Animal Care & Control

Volunteer Opportunities

We create
happiness by
bringing pets and
people together!

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Do you have a special skill?

If you have a skill you'd like to share that doesn't seem represented below, please let us know!

Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age to work around animals and at least 16 to participate in other volunteer tasks.

Adoption Counseling

Volunteers counsel the public on animal behavior, breed identification and other animal-related issues. They show animals to prospective adopters and answer questions on proper animal care. They evaluate and advise as to what animal would best fit a client's lifestyle.

Clerical Assistance/Customer Service

As with any organization, the paperwork is never ending. Volunteers can expect to do filing, answer telephones, do data entry or give directions to one of our shelters for an adoption.

Clinic Assistance

Animals need care as they are prepared and recovering from surgery or illness. Volunteers in this area work closely with clinic staff to monitor the animals as they recover, prepare and sterilize surgical equipment, wash linens and do data entry.

Community Education

Education relating to responsible pet guardianship and animal welfare is very important to our community. Volunteers assist staff with education programs, educational outreach events and explaining our outreach programs to the public. If you enjoy meeting and greeting people, this is the perfect opportunity for you.

Field Officer Reserve

Volunteers work directly with Animal Control Officers going out into the community to perform animal rescue and provide humane education to the public.

Facilities Management

Are you good with your hands? Are you able to fix things? If you answered "Yes", then we need you! Volunteers in this area assist in the overall maintenance of our facilities. This includes a variety of duties such as; painting, grounds keeping, carpentry, and kennel maintenance.

Foster Program

This program places sick, injured, orphaned animals or nursing moms with babies in to a trained volunteer's home to be cared for until they are able to be put up for adoption. For reasons of age or health, this program allows more animals to have a second chance at adoption.

Kennel Assistance

Feeding animals, cleaning kennels, washing dishes, providing blankets, walking dogs, petting kitties and interacting with the public are just some of the jobs volunteers assist our kennel staff with.

Mobile Adoptions

Volunteers meet our mobile adoption bus at various locations around the valley to help facilitate adoptions and provide education to the public on animal welfare and programs offered by AC&C. Volunteers help set up for the event, walk dogs, provide water for the animals, supervise the animals and then help pack up at the end of the event.

Neuter Scooter

Volunteers help the veterinary staff on our mobile spay/neuter surgical bus at various locations around the valley. Volunteers are needed to hand out flyers, assist with filling out paperwork, crowd control and public education. This program assists low-income residents to have their pets spayed/neutered and vaccinated at a greatly reduced fee.

Off-Site Adoption Locations

Volunteers at our off-site adoption centers (several around the valley) are kennel assistants, animal socializers, and adoption counselors. Transportation from our East and West Animal Care Centers to the off-site locations is an important part of this position.

Special Events

Help with all aspects of special events. Duties may include helping out with our monthly community-based outreach events and fundraising activities. This is a great way to establish a positive relationship between AC&C and the community.

Spay Day

Four times a year, AC&C's two animal care centers offer Spay & Neuter surgeries free to the public. Volunteers are needed to facilitate the entire process which includes crowd control, animal intake, paperwork, cat and dog recovery, clinic assistance and retrieving animals for take-home.

Food Bank

On the third Saturday of every month, AC&C provides free dog and cat food to pet owners who are receiving some form of public assistance. Volunteers are needed to fill out paperwork and hand out food.

Group Volunteer Activities

While many of the existing volunteer opportunities require training, there are several opportunities for short-term group volunteer activities. Whether it's painting our buildings or organizing a food drive, call us to find out what your group can do to assist homeless animals.

Thrift Store

Sponsored by FACCS (Friends of Animal Care & Control) which is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to support the programs of Maricopa County's AC&C. The Thrift Store which is located at 12609 N. Cave Creek Road in Phoenix can use your help and donations of gently used items such as clothing, linens, books, furniture, household items, etc.

Donation Pickups

Volunteers are needed to pick up donations from various locations throughout the valley.

Internships

AC&C has many unpaid opportunities available to students in all areas of operations, including administration, classroom education, public relations, social work, clinic assistance, and spay day assistance. Internships look great on a resume!